



**City of Huntington Beach**  
Department of Planning & Building  
**GUIDELINES FOR SWIMMING POOL DEMOLITION**  
2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648  
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### **Plans Required**

Provide a plot plan showing the location of the swimming pool and all setbacks from structures and property lines—(2)sets required.

### **Specifications**

Submit a preliminary report , prepared by a licensed Soils (**Geotechnical**) Engineer , outlining the procedures of how the swimming pool will be demolished or abandoned—(2)sets required.

### **Minimum Standards**

1. Break out or puncture holes in the bottom of the pool/spa structures to allow water to drain.
2. Remove all decking and pool structures bond beam to within 12" below grade.
3. Remove all electrical conduit and gas lines.
4. Back fill with minimum 3/4" gravel to a depth of 6" along entire pool/spa bottom.
5. Backfill with dirt and compact every 12" lift of dirt up to the finished grade.
6. Submit a soil compaction report, signed by a licensed Soils Engineer, demonstrating that a minimum compaction of 90% has been achieved.

### **Permits Required**

A demolition permit is required to be obtained prior to any work.  
Any homeowner, General Contractor (B-1), Swimming Pool Contractor (C-53) or Demolition Contractor (C-21) may apply for a demolition swimming pool permit.

### **Inspections**

After a demolition permit has been obtained, the following elements must be inspected:

1. Bottom and bond beam removal.
2. Disconnection and removal of electrical lighting, electrical feeds for equipment and gas line.
3. Final inspection - finish grade and submitted soils report compaction.

Inspections may be scheduled for the following workday by calling 536-5241 prior to 4:30 p.m.

If you have any additional questions regarding this process, you may contact the Inspection Manager at 714 536-5677.